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RESOLUTION 15-09

TO ENDORSE A FOOD CHARTER
TO HELP GUIDE COMMUNITY DECISIONS ABOUT
POLICIES AND PROGRAMS THAT AFFECT THE LOCAL FOOD SYSTEM

WHEREAS, for about ten years, individuals and groups in the community have met to discuss how best to make our local food system more environmentally safe, socially just, and economically sound; and

WHEREAS, those discussions led to the formation of the Bloomington Food Policy Council (BFPC), which was incorporated as a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization in 2011 and "exists to develop and support policies that increase and preserve access to sustainably produced, locally grown, healthful food for all residents in Monroe and surrounding counties"; and

WHEREAS, in pursuit of this mission and after many hours of discussion within the Bloomington and Monroe County communities, research, and consensus-building, the BFPC has developed and is offering a Food Charter for endorsement by members of the community; and

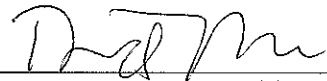
WHEREAS, while non-binding, this Food Charter is community statement that provides a vision and a set of values and principles that help guide decisions in the community about policies and programs that affect the food system; and

WHEREAS, the Food Charter has been presented to and is supported by the Bloomington Commission on Sustainability, Bloomington Environmental Commission, Citizens Advisory Committee of the Monroe County Solid Waste Management District, Local Growers Guild, South Central Community Action Program (SCCAP), Bloomington Community Orchard, Center for Sustainable Living, and the Healthful Food for All Fund;

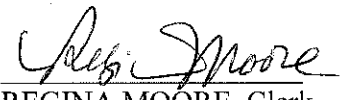
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON, MONROE COUNTY, INDIANA, THAT:

Section 1. As a governmental entity representing many citizens within the local food system, the City of Bloomington endorses the principles and goals set forth in the Food Charter, which is attached to, and made a part of, this resolution.


PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, upon this 1st day of APRIL, 2015.


DAVE ROLLO, President
Bloomington Common Council

ATTEST:


REGINA MOORE, Clerk
City of Bloomington

PRESENTED by me to the Mayor of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, upon this 2nd day of APRIL, 2015.


REGINA MOORE, Clerk
City of Bloomington

SIGNED and APPROVED by me upon this 2nd day of April, 2015.


MARK KRUZAN, Mayor
City of Bloomington

SYNOPSIS

This resolution is sponsored by Councilmembers Rollo and Ruff and endorses the principles and goals set forth in a Food Charter which will help guide community decisions about policies and programs that affect the local food system. The Food Charter is the result of efforts of the Bloomington Food Policy Council to work with various groups and individuals for many years in order to make our local food system more environmentally safe, socially just, and economically sound. While non-binding, this Food Charter is community statement that provides a vision and a set of values and principles that help guide decisions in the community about policies and programs that affect the food system

Signed copies to:

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